



**Minutes of the**  
**City Commission for the City of Traverse City**  
**Study Session**  
**July 25, 2016**

A study session of the City Commission of the City of Traverse City was called to order at the Commission Chambers, Governmental Center, 400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan, at 7 p.m.

Mayor Jim Carruthers, Mayor Pro Tem Ross Richardson, Brian Haas, Gary Howe, Richard I. Lewis, Amy Shamroe, and Tim Werner.

The following Commissioners were absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Jim Carruthers presided at the meeting.

1.

Discussion regarding proposed payment in lieu of taxes policy and procedure.

The following addressed the Commission:

Marty Colburn, City Manager  
Benjamin Marentette, City Clerk  
Tony Lentych, Traverse City Housing Commission, 718 Highland Park Drive  
Judy Nelson, 429 Garfield Avenue  
Rick Buckhalter, 932 Kelley Street  
Beth Bannister, 601 Fitzhugh Drive  
Penny Hill, Assistant City Manager

2.

Discussion regarding an economic analysis of the community's tax base.

The following addressed the Commission:

Marty Colburn, City Manager  
Russ Soyring, City Planning Director  
Chris Maxbauer, 503 West Eighth Street  
Rick Buckhalter, 932 Kelley Street  
Christie Minervini, 118 East 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
Ann Rogers, 1236 Peninsula Drive  
Rob Bacigalupi, Downtown Development Authority Executive Director  
Judy Nelson, 429 Garfield Avenue  
Deni Scrudato, 422 East State Street  
Kent Wood, Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce

3.

Announcements from the City Clerk.

The following addressed the Commission:

Benjamin Marentette, City Clerk  
Marty Colburn, City Manager

4.

Public comment.

The following addressed the Commission:

Chris Maxbauer, 503 West Eighth Street, Grand Traverse County  
Commissioner  
Rick Buckhalter, 932 Kelley Street  
Commissioner Gary Howe  
Mayor Jim Carruthers

There being no objection, Mayor Carruthers declared the meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

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Benjamin C Marentette, MMC  
City Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) (Initials)